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In re Application of Raanan Ben-Zur et al Application No. 09/663,512

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NETWORK SWITCHING

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: DECISION NOTING JOINDER OF : INVENTOR AND PETITION UNDER

: 37 CFR 1.47(a) MOOT

Papers filed on April 25, 2001 in response to a "Decision Refusing Status Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)," mailed April 4, 2001, included a Declaration signed by previously nonsigning inventor Bayne G. Steele in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63.

In view of the joinder of the inventor, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is moot; this application does not have any rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this office for any further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

This application is being forwarded to Office of Initial Patent Examination for preexamination processing.

Inquiries related to this decision may be addressed to the undersigned at (703) 305-8680.

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